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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Responsive to the Office Action mailed on June 17, 2004, Applicants request further examination in light of the following amendments and remarks, which are believed to

place the application in condition for allowance.
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New dependent claims 64-74 depend from new independent claim 63 and recite additional claim features.

New dependent claim 75 depends from independent claim 1 and recites additional claim features. New dependent claim 76 depends from independent claim 19 and recites additional claim features.

Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 63-76 are patentable over the art of record for at least the reasons given above in regard to claims 1-9, 11, 13-19, 21-27, 29, 50-51, and 53-62.

IV. Conclusion:

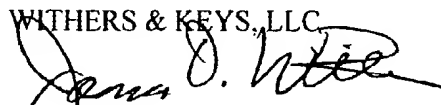
For at least the reasons given above, Applicants submit that claims 1-9, 11, 13-19, 21-27, 29, 50-51, and 53-76 define patentable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request allowance of these claims.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

No additional fees are believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 503025.

Respectfully submitted,

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